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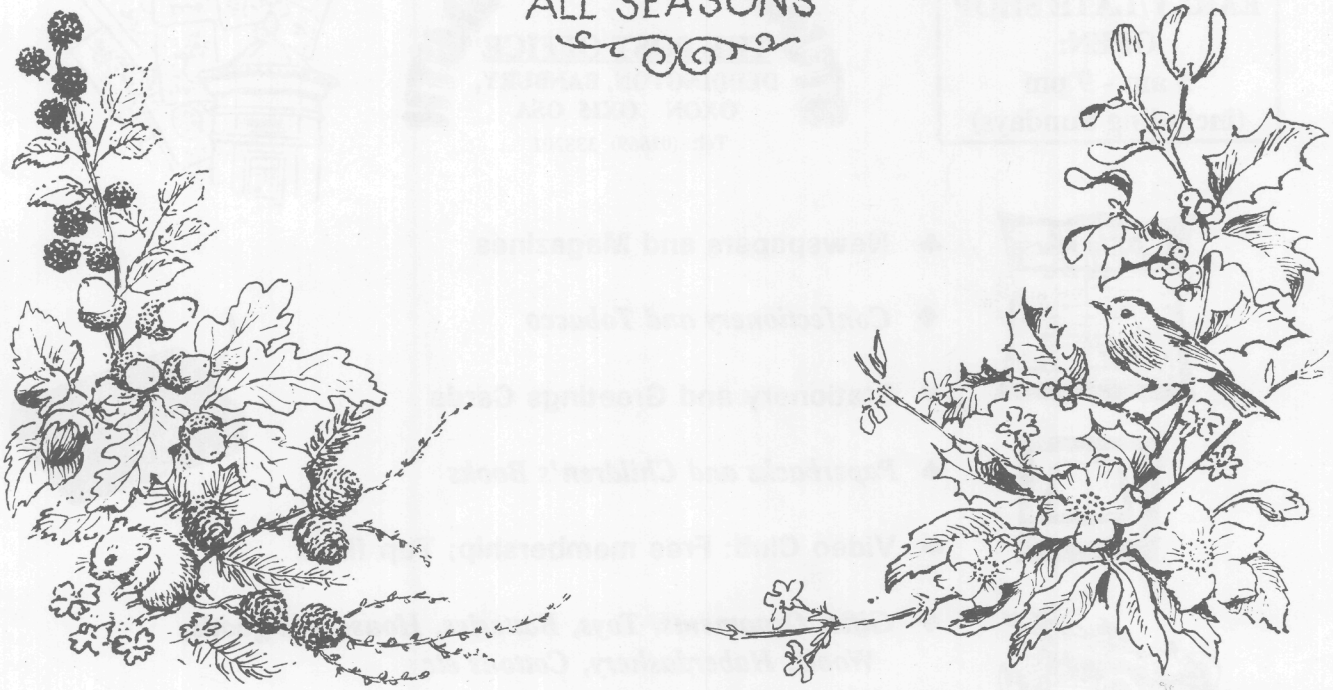

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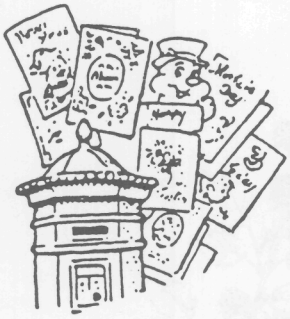

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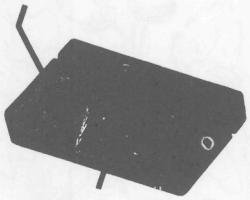

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EDITORIAL

Despite lowering clouds the valley was looking grand this morning, gambolling lambs 'n all; perhaps even more so for knowing it has been reprieved from the Country Park project. THANKS to all concerned for allowing sanity to prevail.
Our PC has some views, too (p 4), including a reminder of the Annual Parish Meeting, this year on 10 May, which hopefully will be well attended. The previous week-end commemorates VE Day (pp 2, 3, 6). We'll be publishing your memories of those historic times from May through to July (bearing in mind VJ Day in August), so it's not too late to add yours - not too lengthy please.
But before that, there's Easter - a very happy one to you all. Please, though, in your Easter preoccupations don't forget DN's next copy date which falls on the morrow of Easter Monday: i.e. Tuesday, 18 April. Sylvie Spenceley Nickels.

REMINDER - Don't forget the co-ordinating service offered by Diary Editor Jean Flux if you want to avoid your event clashing with some one else's.

APRIL DIARY (For special Easter services see pp 5-6)

Sat 1 Deddington Playgroup Cake Stall, Market Square, 10 am.
Tu 4 Badminton Club AGM, Windmill Centre, 7.30 pm.
Wed 5 Deddington Players AGM, 7.30 pm, The Windmill Centre.
Th 6 Banbury Art Society, Ceramic Sculpture, Church Hall, Marlborough Rd, 7.30 pm .
Sat 8 Deddington Gardeners' Outing to Ryton Organic Garden.(p 10)
Sat 8 Congregational Church Cake Stall, Market Place.
Mon 10 toTu 11 Easter Sports Roadshow, Windmill Centre. (p 9)
Tu 11 WI: Ceramics, Holly Tree Club, 7.30 pm.
Wed 12 Parish Council meeting, 7.30 pm, the Town Hall.
Wed 12 U3A: Mrs. D. Coleman on Cheeses from Switzerland, Windmill Centre, 2.30 pm.
Sat 15 British Legion, Night Shift.
Tu 18 COPY DATE FOR MAY DEDDINGTON NEWS.
Th 20 Parish Church Annual meeting. (p 5)
Wed 26 U3A:Mrs Joy Allen on Lip Reading, Windmill Centre, 2.30 pm.
Wed 26 Windmill Centre AGM, Windmill Centre 7 pm.
Fri 28 Rural Well-Being Conference, Windmill Centre. (p 13)
Sat 29 Choir Concert in Deddington Church, 7.30 pm, Entry free, retiring collection . (p 6)

MAY DIARY

Mon 1 to Sat 13 : Banbury Arts Society Open Exhibition, St. Mary's Church, Banbury. (p 12)
Wed 3 Deddington Play Group Fashion Show, Deddington School, 8 pm, Tickets £2.50
Th 4 Banbury Art Society, Paintings & English Interiors, Church Hall, Marlborough Rd,7.30
Sat 6 to Mon 8: Wartime Memorabilia Display, Deddington Town Hall. (p 3)
Sun 7 VE Day Commemorative Interdenominational Service, Market Place. (p 6)
Wed 10 Annual Parish Meeting, Windmill Centre. (p 4)
Wed 10 U3A:" Behind The Chemist Shop" by Mrs. J Rendell,Windmill Centre, 2.30 pm.
Sat 13 PTA, "Favours Auction", Deddington School Hall, 7.30 pm. (p 7)
Tu 16 COPY DATE FOR JUNE DEDDINGTON NEWS.
Sat 20 Banbury Art Society, Painting Day, The Old Vicarage, Adderbury
Sat 20 toJun4:Oxfordshire Art Week, Deddington Artists exhibit in Town Hall & Tucker's Gallery
Sun 21 Royal British Legion Youth Band (Bodicote) Display, Market Place, 2.30 pm. (p 9)
Sun 21 Piano Concert in aid of Adam Phillips, Deddington Parish Church. (p 6)
Tu 23 to Sun 4 June: County Art Week.
Wed 24 U3A: Mrs R Higham on "My Life in Coal", Windmill Centre, 2.30pm.
Mon 29 Windmill Centre, Official Open Day. (p 2)

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

NOTES on Meeting held on 14 March at the Town Hall. District Councillor Paul O'Sullivan attended.

UNVEILING CEREMONY: The meeting began with a brief ceremony in which PC's longest serving cllr, Mrs Pat Swash, paid tribute to former chairman, Ken Garrett. His widow, Edith, then unveiled a splendid wooden plaque in his memory. It lists the names of all PC chairmen and now hangs over the fireplace in the Town Hall.

ENVIRONMENT: 1. Two viburnam shrubs to be planted at cemetery entrance as memorials. 2. Results of village centre parking survey to be presented at next Meeting. 3. Analysis of Hempton Road traffic survey showed 21 vehicles travelling at 50+mph over two days and three accidents in past five years. 4. CC to be asked to provide green man buzzer at traffic lights to assist schoolchildren and blind pedestrians. 5. Clerk to write to Persimmon asking for more supervision of lights on roadworks, following recent lighting failure. 6. Hempton Road bus shelters on order and delivery expected within three weeks. They will be dark green in colour.

RECREATION & GRANTS: 1. PC agreed to a grant of up to £1,900 to provide a permanent stage with integral storage space for the Windmill Centre: cost to PC will be less if other grant applications are successful. It will enhance centre's facilities and the existing stage units will continue to be used for events in the village. 2. Cricket Club to receive £400 grant and £290 interest-free loan to enable them to buy a roller, a practice net, a catching cradle and a pitch marker. Club has already raised £350 and the equipment would improve facilities for its four sides, including two youth teams. 3. School has shown interest in United Nations 50th anniversary celebrations and will receive visit from UN representative during the year. 4. Football Club unwilling to carry on insuring the Castle Grounds pavilion, which is to be offered to North Aston Junior FC, who would then be responsible for it. Clerk to contact clubs and report to next Meeting. 5. British Legion requests use of Town Hall for display of wartime memorabilia for VE/VJ Day celebrations on 6,7,8 May. Clerk to check whether this is different request from Messrs Hood & Hunt, who already have permission. 6. VE and VJ Day will be commemorated with interdenominational services at 3pm on 7 May and 7.30pm on 20 August. Collections will be held for war veterans' associations and various charities. PC to grant up to £300 towards costs of amplification and printing orders of service.

PLANNING & PROPERTY: 1. PC welcomed plans for new classroom at school. 2. PC concerned about car parking and possible structural damage to neighbouring properties with regard to plans for change of use of Wesleyan Chapel Hall to house. 3. In response to PC's objection to a proposed change of condition at the Hudson Street development, Banner Homes now suggests the properties should be occupied by people over the age of 55, and their spouses. This is nearer the original intention but PC continues to insist all occupiers should be 55+, because of shortage of parking space. 4. Outline planning application for two agricultural workers' cottages at Leadenporch Farm to meet staffing requirements for production units: PC objects to size of proposed development, its distance away from existing buildings, the increased traffic it would create on bridleway, the development of a green-field site and the delay in submitting the application after the erection of the production units. 5. Conditional approval has been given for the re-opening of windows in the summer-house at Castle View, Goose Green and Banner Homes' appeal has been allowed at Hudson Court, allowing them to demolish a barn to build a garage.

WINDMILL CENTRE: 1. Bowling and Tennis Clubs have now signed their agreements and all users have taken over responsibility for their facilities. 2. Work on the bowling green and fencing to the all-weather court is now complete. 3. The Centre's AGM will be on Wednesday, 26 April and Open Day will be on Spring Bank Holiday Monday, May 29, when there will be a sponsored run to raise money for a portable dialysis machine for baby Adam Phillips.

STREET LIGHTING: 1. PC is waiting to hear from PCC and hopes to proceed with plans for floodlighting the church before the next Meeting. 2. PC has heard informally from CDC that grant aid for street lighting may be less than the hoped for 75%. Cllrs Clinch and Todd, with the Clerk David Blakey will re-examine the proposed scheme, make formal application for grant aid and report back to PC.

PC FUNDS: £450,000 (Bradford & Bingley @ 7.4%); £150,000 (Treasury Deposit @ 5.9375%); £26,709 (Barclays Bank @ 5.25% 14 days notice); £3,538 (Barclays Bank overnight @ 3.375%).

PURCHASE OF PHOTO-COPYING MACHINE: PC agreed to consider further the Clerk's request for a photo-copying machine. Copying currently costs the PC an average of £336 a year: if the PC bought a copier costing £995 the average saving would be around £64 a year, plus the Clerk's time. Clerk to investigate further and report back to next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: 1. PC to write a strong letter of protest to the Benefits Agency for wasting PC time and money after they failed to send their mobile office to the Market Place as arranged. 2. Letter from Mr Hunt complaining about

conditions in Earls Lane and asking for action to be taken against speeding motorists. PC to go ahead with plans for traffic calming in Earls Lane, with the installation of a chicane at the school end, and centre white lines on the bend at the Clifton Road end. Scheme will be monitored and reviewed in due course. 3. Mr William Simpson, assistant to the chairman of British Telecom, has responded to PC's letter about the incorrect listings for Deddington in the new directory. He will reply fully as soon as possible. 4. The Royal Mail will be putting new signs on letter boxes in the Parish. 5. Victim Support Scheme for North Oxfordshire to receive £100 from PC, as in previous years.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: 1. Cllrs discussed recent critical letters published in Deddington News. They agreed it is not their role to respond to these letters, but urged people who wanted a reply to write directly to the PC. Cllrs agreed to publish a reminder in Deddington News that meetings are open to the public and that people are welcome to address the PC in person.

NEXT MEETING will be on Wednesday, 12th April at 7.30pm in the Town Hall.

VICTORY IN EUROPE, 50TH ANNIVERSARY 8 MAY 1995

To commemorate the official ending of the War in Europe on 8 May 1945, there will be a number of functions held in Deddington during the weekend of 6, 7 & 8 May 1995. A small committee, chaired by David Hood of Brock House, is organising a display of Memorabilia to be set up in the Town Hall on those 3 days.

Its success depends entirely on how generous members of our community are in loaning items of World War II interest - anything from a cap badge or a ration book to a 25 Pounder Field Gun or a Lancaster aircraft! So that the committee can decide how best to display loaned items, especially photographs, would intending donors please tell any member of the committee (names & Tel Nos below) as soon as possible but in any case by 17 April, what items they will be loaning. Great care will be taken of items while in the temporary care of the committee and all will be returned to owners as soon as possible after the event.

Go to it now and dig out all those things which were part of every day life in the '40s and which will now be so interesting to young and old alike. Where did you put that old "tin hat" and gas mask and what about Grand Dad's old medals!

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FROM DOREEN AND KEN FEBEN SMITH, MARKET PLACE, DEDDINGTON

Ken and Doreen Smith want to thank all the kind friends who have sent lovely cards and good wishes etc during the recent weeks of Ken's disability; in particular the invaluable help with transport to and from the hospital, greatly appreciated.

FROM DON KIBBELS, THE DAEDINGS, DEDDINGTON

The editor is puzzled why feelings about the Coat of Arms weren't sent in before the event. With due respect, perhaps she is missing the point but the letters from Alan Gardner and myself were not so much about the Coat of Arms as about the setting of sensible priorities. By spending money on such items, which are of no practical use whatsoever, ahead of items such as bus shelters, clocks and seats, which are of considerable practical value, the Parish Council displayed a masterly grasp of the inessential. Perhaps we shouldn't have been surprised, the phenomenon is hardly new.Histororical myth, although almost certainly inaccurate, suggests that the citizens of Rome had similar problems with the Emperor Nero in AD64.

FROM BILL HUNT, EARLS LANE, DEDDINGTON

However varied the visitors to Deddington and their various interests in the village and its surroundings, it is almost certain that an event occurred on Saturday, 4 March, which was a 'first' not only for the village but also for its St Peter and St Paul Church. Through the kindness of the Vicar, and of the Organist and Choirmaster, Mrs. Lillia Bloxham, a visitor from Japan was thrilled to be permitted to play the organ.

Twenty year old Maiko Ikeda whose home is in Osakaya-City, Osaka, has for the last twelve months been a student at the University of Warwick. During this period she has developed a great liking for the British way of life and has become particularly fond of Deddington and its environs.

Maiko has played the piano since she was four and was thrilled and delighted to be allowed to play the organ in Deddington's Parish Church, particularly as organs are non-existent in her own country. She has a delightful personality and quickly makes friends with everyone with whom she comes into contact.

In Maiko's own words she "had a great time in Deddington on Saturday, 4 March. Let me thank everyone with all my heart. I am looking forward to the day when I will see all of you again." She is now back in Japan.

FROM TERRY CLINCH. CHAIRMAN OF THE DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

In recent issues of the Deddington News there have been a number of letters relating to matters with which the Parish Council has been dealing. Indeed some have actually referred to matters contained in that issue of the DN's account of the proceedings of the previous PC meeting. While not suggesting that matters should not be aired in the DN it is only right to point out that the PC will only deal with letters as part of its proceedings if they are actually addressed to it by identified persons or organisations. There is obviously no reason why a letter sent to the PC cannot also be sent to the DN or anywhere else.

The PC is always willing to receive the views of those living and working within the parish. Most months a number of letters are dealt with and it is usual for correspondents to receive a reply. Being mindful of the need to hear the views of villagers there is also the opportunity to make personal representations to the Council at its meetings. This is done by contacting the Clerk and, subject to there being space on the agenda, the request can be met. Although this facility has been available for over four years it has rarely been used.

The public is always welcome at PC meetings. It is a good way to see how matters affecting our three villages are debated and decided upon.

The PC also holds an Annual Parish meeting at which the public is invited to give its views and to ask questions of the Council. This year's meeting is on Wednesday 10 May 1995 at 7.30 pm at the Windmill Centre.

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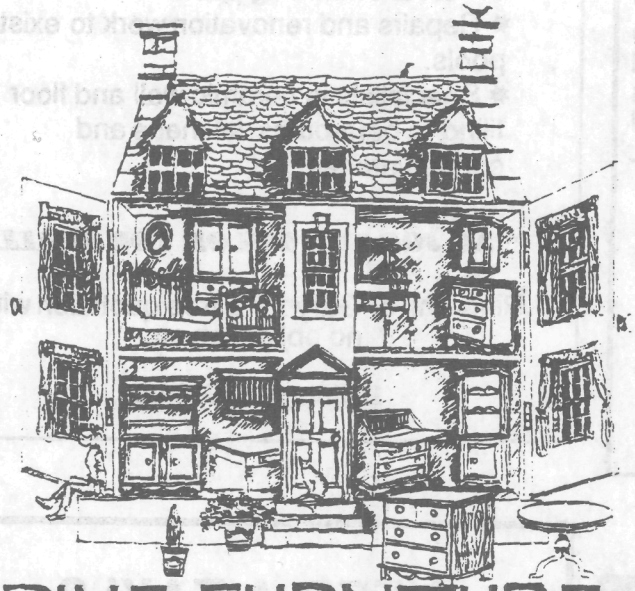

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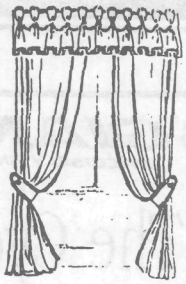

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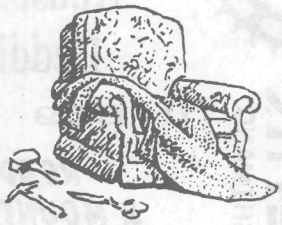

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April Services *(Parish Church)*.

Sun 2 10.30 am Sung Eucharist (Preacher: Rev. Sister Davina from All Saints Convent, Oxford).

Wed 5 10 am Holy Communion. 11.30 am Holy Communion in Featherton House.

Sun 9 PALM SUNDAY 10.30 am Family Communion with distribution of palm crosses and procession with donkey. Dramatic reading of Passion narrative.

Wed 12 10 am Holy Communion.

Thu 13 MAUNDY THURSDAY.

7.30 pm Eucharist with symbolic washing of feet of 12 disciples. For this service we shall be joined by members of the Wesleyan Reform Church. Special preacher: Rev. Cameron Butland, Vicar of Bodicote. After this service there will be a fellowship meal in the Wesleyan Reform Church.

10 pm. Midnight Vigil in the Church - an opportunity to come into Church, if only for a few minutes, to pray and meditate.

Fri 14 GOOD FRIDAY.

1 pm Procession of Witness following the cross. This will start at the Wesleyan Reform Church and proceed through the Market Place to the Congregational Church and then to the Parish Church.

2 pm United Service of Devotion when we shall be joined by members of the Congregational and Wesleyan Reform churches.

Sun 16 EASTER DAY. 8 am Holy Communion (BCP).
10.30 am Sung Eucharist.

Wed 19 10 am Holy Communion. 2.45 pm. Holy Communion in St Anne's Home, Clifton.

Sun 23 8 am Holy Communion (BCP). 10.30 am Sung Mattins.

Wed 26 10 am Holy Communion

Fri 28 Midday prayers and meditation.

Sun 30 10.30 am. Sung Eucharist.

April Services (*St. John, Hempton*).

Sun 2 9 am Eucharist.

Sat 15 EASTER EVE. 11.30 pm Vigil Service of Light and Holy Communion for Easter.

Sun 23 6 pm Evensong (BCP).

Ken Reeves and Edmund Newell would like to wish all readers a happy and blessed Easter.

Deddington Church Prayer Group will meet on Thursday, 6 April at 7.45 pm for 8 pm in Corner Cottage (Mrs. H. Hall), Chapel Square, Deddington.

Children's Church (under 8 yrs.) and Church Junior Club (8-12 years) will meet at 10.15 am in Deddington Primary School on Sundays 2, 23, and 30 April. They will meet in Deddington Parish Church at 10.30 am on Sundays 9 and 16 April at 10.30 am.

Annual Church Meeting on Thursday, 20 April at 7.30 pm in Deddington Primary School. At this meeting there will be the election of Churchwardens, Parochial Church Council and Sidespeople. There will be the annual statement of accounts, review of last year's work and future plans. This is a very important meeting for church members but others are very welcome to attend.

Remembrance Book. This can be seen in the Parish Church. It has been donated by Frankie Cox and Jean Goddard, former worshippers who now live in Cornwall, in memory of their parents. The book is in St Thomas' Chapel in a display case made by George Fenemore. Names of loved ones departed can be inscribed in the book and remembered each year on the anniversary of their death. If you would like the name of a relative or friend put into the book there will be a charge of £5 to pay for each inscription. A form on which you can enter the name, date of birth and death may be obtained from one of the clergy, Josie Stevens, Pam Dodd or George Fenemore.

Choir Concert in Parish Church on Saturday, 29 April at 7.30 pm. No entry fee, but retiring collection. Refreshments available. Music to suit all tastes - Bach to Beatles!

Jenny Hyson, Diocesan Children's Officer, will be coming to advise on our work with children on Saturday 22 April at 10.30am in Leadenporch Farm.

Weddings in April in the Parish Church.

Sat 8 Alistair Francis Bird and Pascale Evelyn Genevieve Lenott.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

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April Services:

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Sun 9 10.30 am - Pastor I. Walton.
Sun 16 10.30 am EASTER CELEBRATION sharing the Sacrament - Pastor I. Walton.
Sun 23 10.30 am - John Neale.
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INTER-CHURCH ACTIVITIES.

Mondays, 3 April and 1 May - Ecumenical Prayer Group - 7.45 pm in the Wesleyan Reform Church.

Friday 28 April:- Mid-day prayers and meditation - 12 noon in St Thomas Chapel - Parish Church.

Easter Services. For combined services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday see Parish Church notices.

Tuesday, 25 April, 7.45 for 8 pm. In preparation for CHRISTIAN AID WEEK, the World Concern group will meet at the Wesleyan Reform Church to hear Christian Aid's new local rep. talk about living with a young family in Central America. All welcome.

Thought for the Month - supplied by the Rev. Ken Reeves. *The simplest meaning of Easter is that we are living in a world in which God has the last word.*

Services to Commemorate 50th Anniversary of VE and VJ Days at end of last war. The churches in the Parish are combining for Open Air services in the Market Place on Sunday, 7 May at 3 pm and Sunday, 20 August at 7.30 pm to mark the anniversary of VE and VJ days respectively. The speaker on 7 May will be the Ven. Hewitt Wilson former Chaplain-in-chief to the RAF. and on 20 August Hugh Spottiswoode, who served with the Indian Army in Burma and India in the war. KEN REEVES.

THE CHOIR CONCERT at Deddington Parish Church on Sat. 29 April at 7.30 pm will feature music - from Bach to the Beatles - to suit all tastes. Admission free, but the retiring collection will be divided between the Royal School of Church Music appeal and the choir's proposed trip to Holland in the autumn.

ADAM PHILLIPS DIALYSIS APPEAL

T H A N K S !! Bob and Vannessa Phillips would like to thank everybody for their wonderful support and encouragement regarding their Appeal for a portable dialysis machine for Adam. The Appeal is well on its way to the £10,000 required and wouldn't have been if it hadn't been for everyone's generosity. **T H A N K Y O U!**

A Raffle for Adam - The Staff at Acorn Stores, Deddington, would like to thank all their customers for helping them to raise £664.58p. for the Adam Phillips Appeal. Many thanks to you all.

Raffle winners are: 1st - Cuddly Toy - No. 86, Derek Griffins; 2nd - Easter Egg - No. 501, Charlie Cross; 3rd - Pot Plant - No. 135, Bryan Franklin.

And a Concert for Adam - We've just had news of a Piano Charity Concert for Adam to be performed by Alexander Soddy at Deddington Parish Church on 21 May at 7.30pm. See the May issue of the DN and posters for further details.

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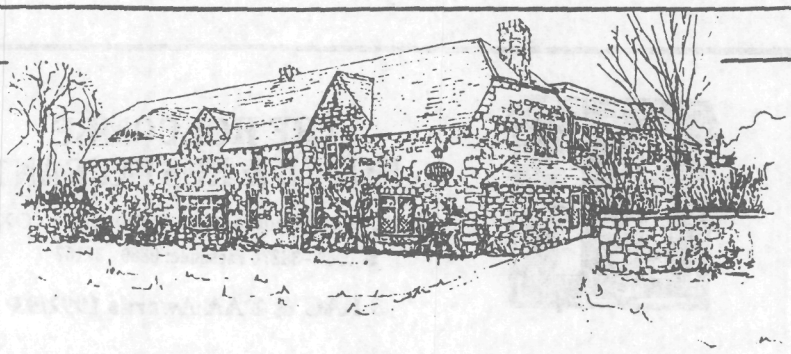

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NEWS FROM SCHOOL

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If there are families with children due to start school in the next school year (children born betwen 1 September 1990 and 31 August 1991) and you have not filled out any application form (including families with children already at school) could they please contact us for a brochure and application form. If you are new to the school and would like to visit us, talk with me and see the school working please don't hesitate to contact us to arrange an appointment.

The building work is progressing well. The Infants will be in their new classrooms after Easter.

JOHN MOFFITT (338430)

. . . . and from Deddington PTA

The Quiz Night was a great success, raising £270. Many thanks to all who attended. The auctioneer has been booked for our next event, a "Favours Auction", in the School Hall on Sat 13 May between 7.30 and 11pm. Supper will be provided and there will be a licensed bar. We would welcome more "Favours"! Could you donate a session of ironing, gardening, babysitting or the like? Local businesses have been very supportive and we already have offers of meals, beauty treatments, planters and hampers. If you can help in just a small way it would be **much** appreciated. It's a fun evening so come along and join in the bidding. Tickets are £3 from the School or ring me.

MANDY HARPER (337489)

THE DEDDINGTON PLAYSCHEME is for children aged 5-11 years from Deddington School catchment area. To be held the week commencing 14 August 1995 for 5 mornings (venue to be confirmed) volunteers are needed to help in all sorts of ways. For details please contact Diane on 337151 or Debbie on 338484

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THE WAY WE WERE Deddington 150 years ago by Buffy Heywood

Extracts from the diaries of the Rev. Cotton Risley for March 1845:

4th MARCH - I heard a Justice matter at Mr. Field's office - was obliged to send two women from Barford to prison for a week for turnip stealing under aggravated circumstances.
5th MARCH - I went up to Oxford for the Assizes - Col. North of Wroxton Abbey being the High Sheriff, whose equipage and cavalcade, Javelin men, etc. was the most splendid the County had ever witnessed since the time of the late Mr. Stratton of Great Tew. Attended the Assizes each day until the 8th, dined on the 6th with the High Sheriff and Grand Jury, 45 magistrates dined being an unprecedented large number out of respect to the High Sheriff. I saved a parishioner from transportation by speaking to the Judge, Lord Chief Baron Pollock, he had been tried and convicted of a highway robbery accompanied with violence in Deddington in September last.
9th MARCH - Fever and smallpox I lament to say still with us - the latter being in a family at Hempton.
14th MARCH - Drove up to dine and sleep at my Father's at Tingewick, whom I found suffering from gout still, tho' much better than he had been.
15th MARCH - A man from Duns Tew called to complain of a farmer paying him only 6d. a day - and requiring him to work full hours.
25th MARCH - Mr. Field called about the parties wishing to emigrate - a vestry were to decide about the matter this evening.
28th MARCH - The Warden of New College, the Outrider and Steward called later in the day on their way to hold court at Adderbury - where I joined them at dinner.
29th MARCH - Signed a petition in favour of Great Western line of railway from Oxford to Rugby etc.

. . . . . and 50 or so years ago

Here is the second part of **DON WALKER's** childhood memories of wartime Deddington

Everyone was urged to save money. Savings Stamps could be purchased through the school, we took sixpence each week which bought one National Savings stamp that was put into a book which held 30 stamps. Fifteen shillings could then be transferred to a Savings Certificate which after three years would be worth £ 1.
Many houses had gates and railings but these were cut off to be melted down. Evidence of this can still be seen outside the terraced houses in Castle Street. Duffield, near Adderbury Station, was a factory where crashed aircraft were brought on aircraft carriers. As children, we liked to get part of the cockpit which we made into rings for our fingers. I wonder if anyone in Deddington has any still? Wherever we went we had to take our gas masks in a square cardboard box. If you were under five you had one with a Mickey Mouse face. The masks were tested regularly by Mr. Gardner by holding a piece of paper over the end - if the paper fell off the filter had to be changed.
At various times soldiers were billeted in Wychway House. They set up their temporary workshops in the Market Square. If we gave them a penny and a small safety pin they would heat it up and mould it into a brooch which was always an aeroplane. Surely there are some of these left in the village? The canteen for the servicemen was in the Wesleyan Sunday School run voluntarily by Mr. Frank Valentine and members of the Chapel. They had very cheap cups of tea and sandwiches and played darts, board games and cards.
It was a terrible sight to see the evacuees who had been taken from their parents in London and placed in the village with strangers. We had several staying with us. One came from a very poor family, and said they had cold tea on their corn-flakes because they could not afford milk. Occasionally a Utility bus would come down from London so that the parents could visit their children. There was a prisoner-of-war camp at Duns Tew and the prisoners would work on the local farms. I remember they would make slippers from string, and I still have a ship in a bottle which one made for me. From my bedroom window we could see the red glow in the sky as Coventry burned.

(See Diary and its cross-references for VE Day commemorative events)

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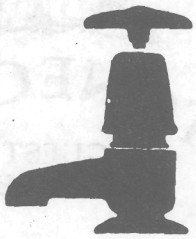

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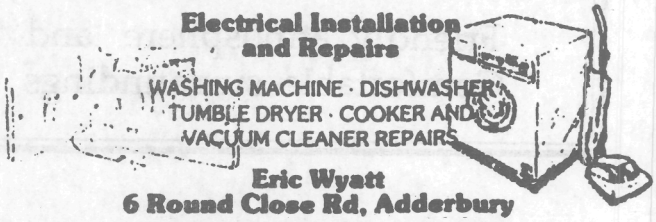

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DOWN ON THE FARM

From the beginning of February to the beginning of March I think we have averaged over an inch of rain each week. This is not good for the farm at this time of year. We have failed to fatten any hoggets in the last 3 weeks, which is very rare indeed. We have now reached a bottleneck which only good weather can alleviate. We try to time lambing so that we can do all our spring drilling before it starts. This year it has proved impossible to work the land due to the rain.

We should now be applying nitrogen to our grassland for ewes and young lambs to feed on. Good milk is the secret of good lambs and the secret of good milk is good grass. A good growth of grass also acts as a protective layer between the lambs and surface water. We typically apply 40 units of nitrogen/acre, not too much at this time of year to avoid the nitrogen getting into the watercourse.

I have again chosen to grow spring rape. This will be planted behind the Hempton Road Cemetery, so hayfever sufferers beware! We also plan a small acreage of spring wheat.

We have also planted 12 acres of trees around the farm. I hope my children will see the benefit of this in years to come. I have planted 40% ash, 35% oak, 10% wild cherry, 15% lime, maple, birch, crab apple. This follows Government guidelines on tree planting and therefore I qualify for a grant.

Inside, I have been working on Ordnance Survey maps in order to claim my Government payments. Each field has a 4-digit number so that it can be identified and this relates to the map on which it is positioned.

Finally, if I can climb on my soap box, we spent a couple of days recently on the roadside picking up litter. Along the Duns Tew road from Hempton we filled 12 bags of rubbish. Fortunately the bin men took it away for me, but it is a sad reflection on today's society that people feel it is acceptable to clean cars out in farm gateways. It's unsightly, also glass is a fire hazard in the summer and a danger to livestock.

JIM CALCUTT (337276)

DEDDINGTON BRANCH, ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

A part of the programme to celebrate 50 years of peace is a visit of the Royal British Legion Youth Band from Bodicote which will put on a Display in the Market Place on Sunday, 21 May at 2.30 pm. We are very honoured to have them for this occasion and I do hope that many in Deddington and district will come along to give them good support. You will see a grand display from this very young band. **D O N ' T M I S S I T !!** Arthur Lewis, President, Deddington Branch

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Ryton Outing This trip is now fully booked. The Banbury community coach will pick us up in the Market Place, Deddington, at 11.15 on Saturday, 8 April. We will return at about 4.30pm. A lunch is booked for us at Ryton.

Compost Order Betty Hill still has some Rose Food (part bags available) and Organic Compost. Please let her know if you would like some.

Savill Gardens We are hoping to arrange this outing for Thursday, 8 June.

ELIZABETH TOTHILL 338186

DEDDINGTON WI

The March meeting was the occasion of the AGM. After 23 years in charge of the funds Marge Plumbe has decided to retire. She has done the responsible and sometimes very worrying job of Treasurer for the Institute all these years and we certainly owe her a debt of gratitude. Angela Sones is taking over from her and we wish her luck with her calculations.

After the business meeting Thelma Dover presented another one of her question sessions and the poetry competition was judged. Daphne Canning won this.

The next meeting is a talk on Ceramics, 11 April, 7.30 pm, at the Holly Tree Club.

MARIANNE ELSLEY 338251

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

The first meeting of March found the members thoroughly enjoying and marvelling at Jean Perree's account of her trekking holidays in the Himalayas, which was backed up with some excellent slides. Mr.John Cheney charmed the audience at the next meeting with his most amusing descriptions of life in the old market town of Banbury in the 1930s. How times have changed !.

A Sunday lunch has been arranged for 2 April, and a Bring and Buy for the meeting on 12 April. The U3A will be running a Hotch Potch Stall at the Official Opening of the Windmill Centre on 29 May.

We are always delighted to welcome new members. Meetings are held at the Windmill Centre at 2.30 pm. The dates can be found in the Diary section of the DN.

PAT BRITTAIN 338685

DEDDINGTON CRICKET CLUB

As I write this the first worthwhile snowfall of the year lies on the ground, the wind is direct from Siberia and football matches are being cancelled wholesale. Yes you've guessed, the cricket season is nearly on us!

1995 promises to be a year of challenge as we take on greater responsibility for ground maintenance and development. In particular we are looking to improve practice facilities for our junior members whom we see as vital to the continued improvement of our club. So, if you're a newcomer to the village and have a cricketer of any age group in the family we look forward to hearing from you.

By the time you read this, indoor net practice at Spiceball will have started on Sunday mornings; for further details ring me or John Stiff on 338392. Finally, for those who may have missed my note in an earlier edition of DN we are still looking for an umpire to stand in the Oxford League matches.

PETER BLACKBURN 338117

BEECHES BOWLS CLUB

We cannot be sure when the new Green will be ready to bowl on, but we are aiming at the week commencing 24 April. The Club's first match is away against Oxford Gas on 29 April and the first home match is on 9 May against Banbury Borough. Once the Green is ready for use, members will be able to bowl on it most afternoons and evenings. We also plan to have two Wednesday Club evenings: 26 April and 3 May for the benefit of new members. They will be able to practise and integrate with existing members. Tuition will be available and the Club has sets of bowls which can be borrowed for trying out in the first instance. A warm welcome awaits anyone who is interested in joining. A biased view, no doubt, but Bowls is a friendly, relaxing and skilful game, which can be enjoyed by the young, the not so young and the old - of both sexes. Please ring me if you would like more information.

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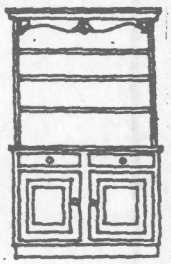

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The Saturday Side Results

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Kings Sutton Res(h)	Won	3-1	E.Harrison, G.Pinfold, M.Hewitt

The bad weather prevented a number of matches taking place and the lost Cropredy match was a disappointment. However, form continues to be excellent. Michael Hewitt is leading goal scorer with 22.

The Sunday First Team Results

Jolly Weavers(h)	Won	7-1	N.Coles(4),D.Foreman, K.Harrison(2)
Town Furze(Sam Waters Cup)	Lost	2-8 aet	K.Stratford, A.Hambis
Musketeer(h) John Wood Cup)	Won	3-0 aet	K.Stratford, A.Hambis(2)

The Sunday Side bowed out of the Sam Waters Cup at the s/final stage v Town Furze. A controversial decision by the referee in injury time denied Deddington victory, when a penalty was awarded to Town Furze. Their equaliser made the score 2-2 and resulted in Deddington being reduced to 10 men. Extra time was then required. Deddington were soon down to 9 players when another penalty was awarded. With such numerical advantage Furze were able to make the score 8-2.- The League continues to perform very well and are at the top of Div 3. Leading scorer is Neil Coles with 45.

The Sunday Reserves, Result

Red Star Irregulars(a)	Drew	2-2	A.Smith, L.Hayward

This was the only match played, the leading scorer is Mark Doggett with 10.

STEVE PLUMBE 338512

NETBALL

Youth Club Deddington Youth Club entered two teams in the area, Youth Girls Netball and a Five-A-Side tournament at Blackbird Leys. Both teams played exceptionally well, winning the U12s Netball and U16s Netball and Football. The U16s will go on to represent the county in the next round of the competition. Good Luck.

League Deddington U14s won their last two matches and have finished second in the Banbury League. They will be presented with their award at a tournament at Drayton on 1 April. Well done, Team, a brilliant effort in your first year of competing.

School Deddington School Netball Team played in the area Primary School Tournament on 11 March and after many games they were sectioned into the D League, which they went on to win. Well done, Girls.

Comic Relief Laura Chatterton and Emma Hodgkins organised a fun netball event with adults and children taking part. They would like to say a big thank-you to everyone who contributed; £30 was raised. A jolly evening was had by all with Mick Merrick showing outstanding skills but perhaps a little lack of understanding of the rules. We have now collected a few trophies and it would be nice to have a place to show them at the Windmill. Practice night on the all-weather pitch is Thursday,6-7. Newcomers are welcome. For further information ring Diane Chatterton (338538) or Maureen Colley (338016).

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DEDDINGTON PLAYGROUP

At the end of last term we said goodbye to Jack Harper, Thomas Morton, Jacob Delen, Danielle Fairns and Andrew Wright, we wish them well at school. We welcome George Richards, Sam Wyatt, Luke Gibbs, Thomas Clarke, Stephanie Strachan and Jessica Bowdry. One of our topics has been THE FARM and baby animals, so we visited Jersey Manor Farm where the children had an enjoyable time looking at cows, ewes and lambs and most them were able to touch a new-born lamb. A big thank-you to Wendy and Cheryl Corner and their husbands for letting us invade their farm.
We urgently need a new carpet, so several fund-raising events have been organised: firstly a cake stall in the Market Place on Saturday, 1 April, 10am. Then one of our famous FASHION SHOWS at the Primary School on Wednesday, 3 May, 8pm. The tickets cost £ 2.50 which includes a glass of wine. We raise our funds by selling the tickets (we don't get commission on the sale of the clothes), so please help us by buying tickets and bring your friends for a good fun evening out. Tickets can be bought from Karen Robertson, June Scott, committee members or me.

TRACY ROGERS 338726

DEDDINGTON BADMINTON CLUB

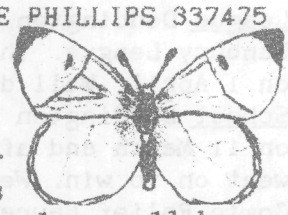
The Mens team have done exceptionally well and are top of their division at the moment. The AGM is scheduled for Tuesday, 4 April. 7.30pm. Come along if you can. It will be club night as well, so come prepared to play. The new Sweatshirts and Polo shirts are superb, they come in various colours and sizes and have the club's name and Logo emblazoned on them. Club nights are Tuesday 7.30-9.30 and Thursdays 8-10.

RESULTS

Ladies	Chipping Norton	Lost 7-2
Mens	Marlborough	Lost 7-2
	Banbury Town	Won 6-3
Pure Mixed	Brackley	Lost 9-0
	Harriers	Lost 9-0

LYNNE PHILLIPS 337475

NATURE NOTES



Despite the recent snowy conditions we are well and truly into Spring, which to many means flowers and greenery. Around Deddington one should expect to see all the common Spring flowers such as Primroses, Celandines, Wood Anemones and Bluebells. There are some less well known Spring flowers that with extra looking can be seen around here. In woodland habitat, look out for Dogs Mercury, which has pale small yellow-green flowers and the Violet with its small purple sweet-scented flowers. In the wetter meadows and ditches, look out for Lady's Smock which grows up to two ft, has small pale purple-pink flowers with four petals and belongs to the cabbage family! Probably the greatest Spring flower event is to be found in a wood carpeted by Bluebells. Their abundance is unique to the UK, so as you stroll through you are in a very special habitat indeed.
The next few weeks present an excellent opportunity to watch birds in the middle of their breeding season without the hindrance of too many leaves. One bird that can be observed without worrying about leaf coverage is the Skylark. While walking near Leadenporch Farm recently I was surprised at the numbers to be seen. If you walk down that way and the weather is fine, just stand still for five minutes and listen. Many male birds are now singing at full volume, proclaiming their success as chasers and catchers of females! Trying to focus your ears and then your eyes on a skylark spiralling upwards as it sings is quite tricky. If you do spot one, then you could probably postpone the opticians for another year!
For those who doubted the promise of seeing butterflies in March, I saw four Yellow Brimstones in the centre of Deddington on 12 March, also a small Tortoiseshell and a Peacock! A butterfly to look out for in April is the Orange Tip. Only the male has the bright orange tips to its wings; the female is slightly larger and quite drab.

JONATHAN HOOK (338357)

BANBURY & DISTRICT ART SOCIETY - It seems that in the past 4 years Deddington hasn't produced an entry to the Society's annual OPEN EXHIBITION, this year 1-13 May, St Mary's Church, Banbury! All work may be for sale. Three dimensional work includes carving, pottery, embroidery, metal work. Details from M. Dew (338951)

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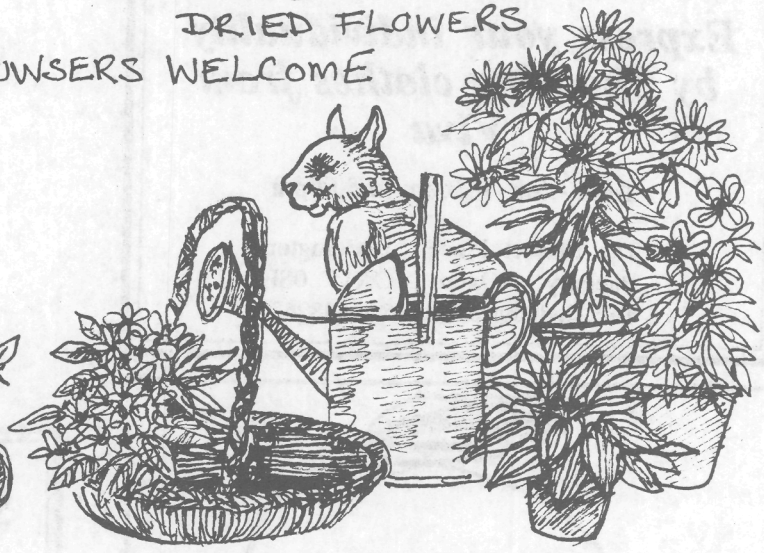

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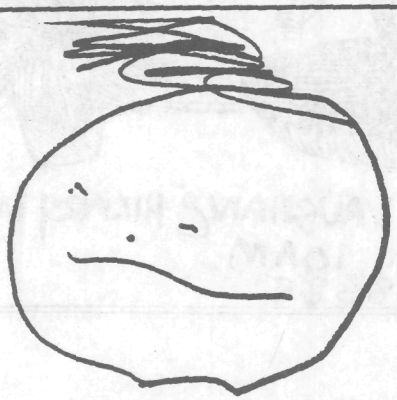

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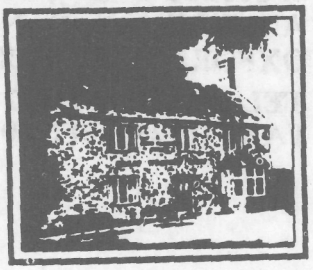

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Crew Levels I don't think the majority of people realise just how serious the situation is here without enough firefighters on the Station. At present we have only eight personnel, three who are available in the daytime and all available at nights and week-ends; but this does not allow for the times when some are out, away or ill, and this is when it's back to square one with insufficient crew. We could really do with **another four personnel on Station**, preferably who could give 24-hour cover or even day cover. At the moment there is a lot of pressure on the existing personel always to be available. ALBERT HUMPHRIES (338943)

NEWS FROM HEMPTON

How splendid that toddlers were able to toddle along the Hempton Road to raise funds for the Adam Phillips Dialysis Appeal. Surely nobody would now suggest that the footpath has been a waste of money. Some of my neighbours refer to this part of the road as Washington Avenue, in memory of Dennis Washington who so generously provided the chestnut trees and the daffodils.
'Tis often sung/ that Spring has sprung /now that must mean /I should spring clean/
But what a bore to do the chores/ when all the flowers are out outdoors!
Recent visitors to our garden included a blackcap, a siskin and a weasel. I hope we shall soon be able to come out of hibernation and renew acquaintance with our lawn mowers and fellow gardeners. NAN HARRIS (338039)

AYNHO COMMUNITY THEATRE (ACT) - ACT's October production is a 3-act play "The White Sheep of the Family". Readings for parts take place on Wednesday 26 April at 8pm. If you're interested in reading for a part or back stage involvement, please contact Gill Handley on 810366.

RURAL WELL-BEING - This Conference on 28 April at the Windmill Centre is organised by Oxon. Rural Community Council's Rural Care Forum; its purpose is to identify the particular health and social care needs of rural people in Oxon. The (free) day features a mixture of speakers and six workshops. Applications (limited to 100-120) from village people, parish councillors and voluntary organisations especially welcomed. Further info from Sue Lygo, Conf. Sec. on 01865-226579.

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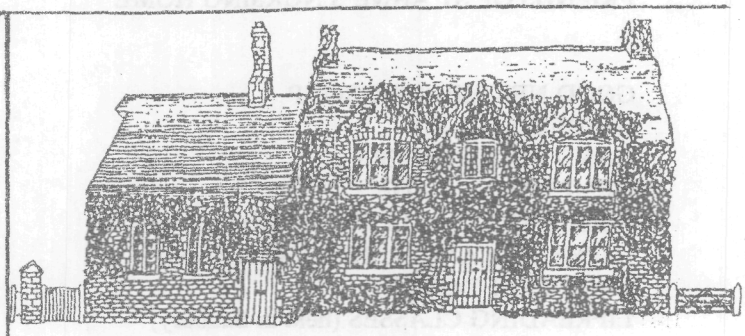

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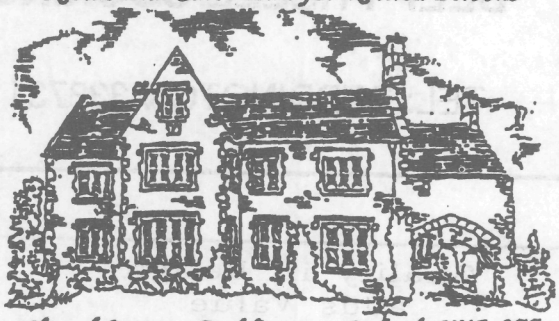

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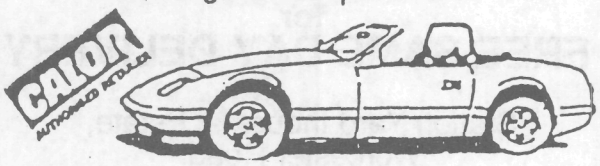

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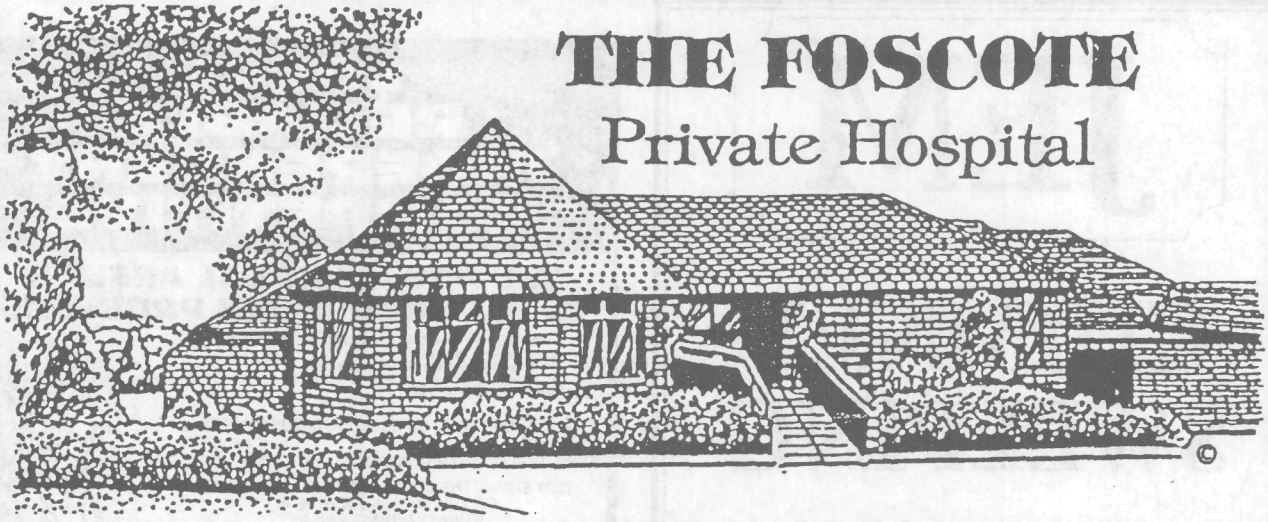

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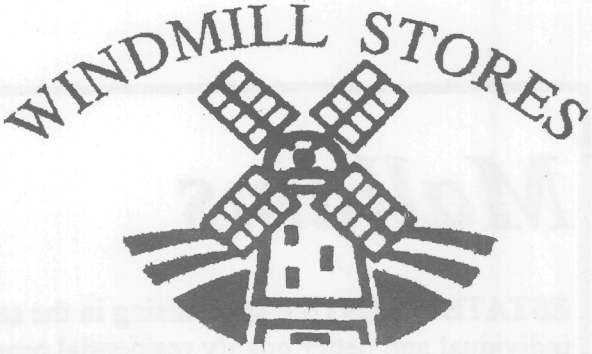

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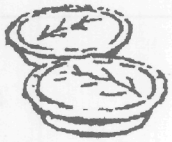

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